**News Release** 

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**HPD Investigates Aggravated Assault** 

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The Harrisonburg Police Department is investigating an assault that took place overnight.

Around 1:30 a.m. this morning, officers responded to the parking lot of Firetop Bar and Grill, 1971 Evelyn Byrd Ave. Upon arrival, officers discovered that a male had been stabbed.

The victim was stabbed in the torso after an argument took place. The victim, a 22-year-old male, was taken to Rockingham Memorial Hospital and later flown to the University of Virginia Medical Center. He is currently in stable condition with serious injuries.

Police ask for the community's help in locating and identifying the suspect in this investigation.

The offender is described as a white male in his mid-20's, approximately 190 pounds with a slim build, and 5 feet 10 inches tall. He was last seen wearing glasses, jeans, and a dark hooded sweatshirt.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to call Crime Solvers at 540-574-5050. Tipsters may also anonymously text "HPD" plus the tip to CRIMES, which is 274637.